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ARTICLE 32. Acquisition of Easements – Triangle and East Pleasant Street Intersection

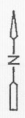
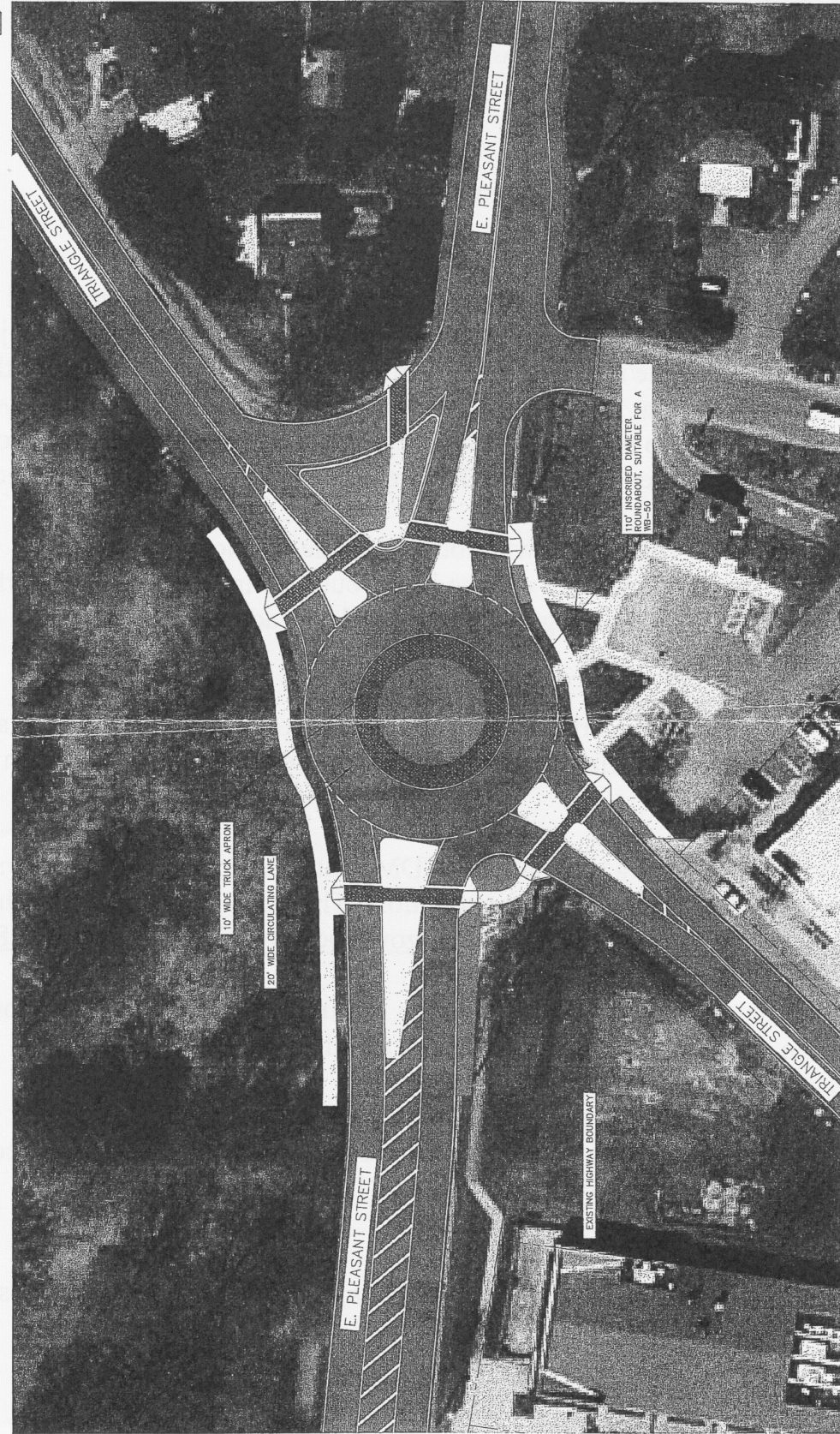
This Article will authorize the Select Board to acquire easements for a potential Triangle and East Pleasant Street Intersection improvement project. This is a new project that has come about with the renewed interest in redeveloping the north end of the Amherst center. The current functional operational classification (this is how well the intersection functions to move cars and buses) of the intersection is level C on a scale of A-F. There are three options for the intersection that are being reviewed.

1. A no build option. This option will not change the physical layout of the intersection, no new turn lanes or bike lanes, but may involve changes to the traffic signals to update timing and possibly adding additional lights for visibility.
2. Adding left turn lanes to Triangle Street. This option will add a left turn lane on both approaches of Triangle Street at this intersection. This will widen Triangle Street.
3. Convert intersection to a roundabout. CDMSmith has conducted an analysis of the intersection for the roundabout option. The study can be found at the following link. <http://www.amherstma.gov/DocumentCenter/View/25238>

This project will likely be submitted to the state for funding under the Mass Works grant program in the late summer and the Town should receive notification in December or January.

This article does not appropriate funds for the land takings. If funds are required, another article will be brought forward at another Town Meeting for an appropriation.

A map of the proposed takings for this project showing the roundabout option is on the back of this page.



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PLAN
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PROJECT NO.	0324-100089
DATE	01/01/2011
SHEET NO.	1

CONCEPTUAL ROUNDABOUT

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